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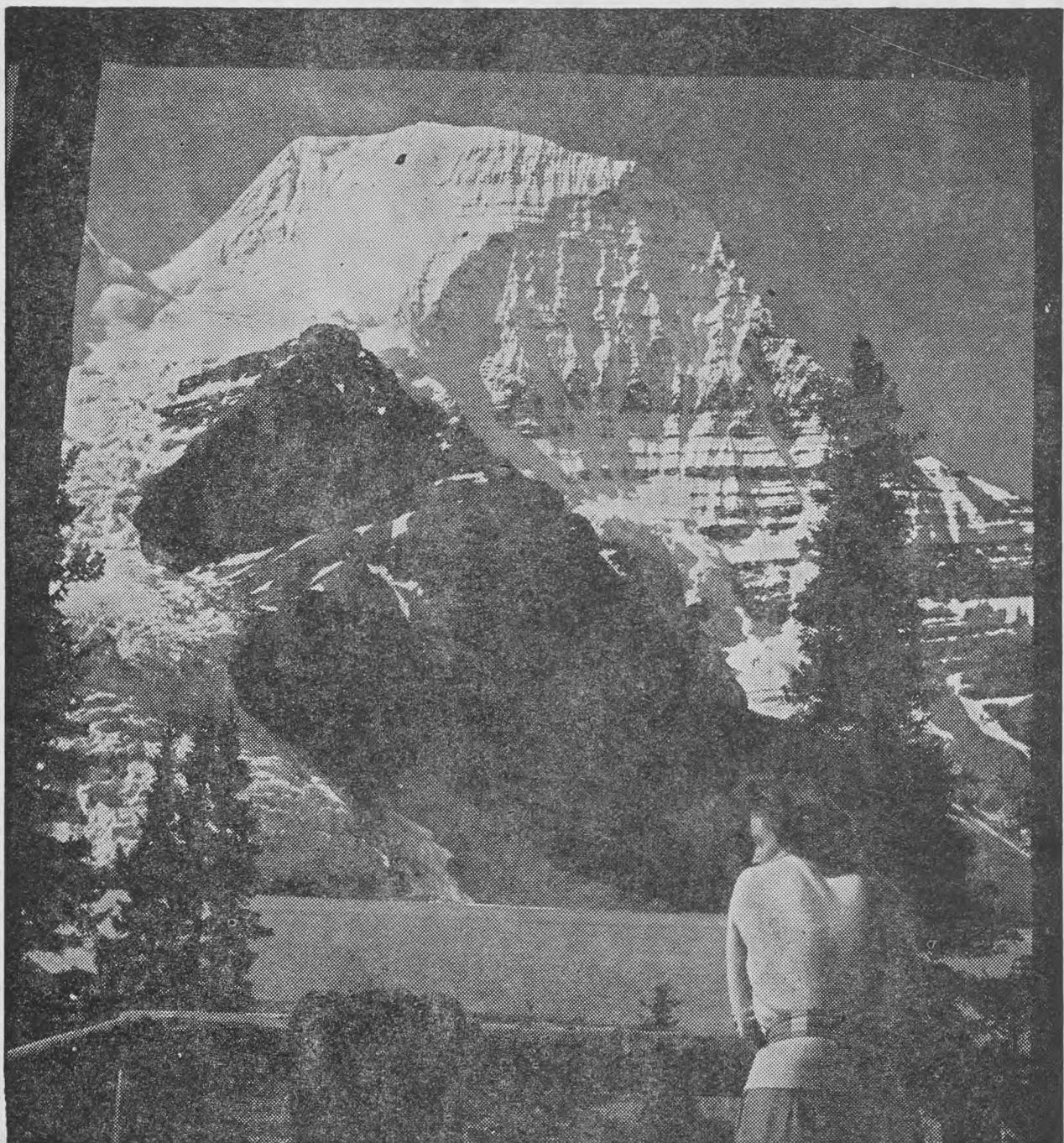
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The Bishop's Page

My Dear People,

The Executive Council of General Synod will meet this year in Saskatoon. The centre of interest will be the election of The Primate. The Primate is elected by an Electoral College consisting of all diocesan bishops together with clerical and lay representatives of all the dioceses of the Church of England in Canada. All diocesan Bishops are eligible for election.

The procedure of election is as follows: The Bishops nominate three or more names to the Lower House (clergy and laity). The Lower House votes by ballot upon the names submitted. Voting is by Orders (clergy and laity ballot separately) and a majority of each order is necessary for election. Voting continues until an election results or until the Lower House asks the Bishops to submit one or more additional nominations. If three or more names are submitted and no election results after taking two ballots, the one receiving the smallest number of votes is dropped for the next ballot and similarly after each ballot until only two nominees remain. If an election does not result from the balloting upon these two nominees, the Upper House then proceeds to elect the Primate. An effort to change the method of election was made at General Synod meeting in Winnipeg last September but was not approved. The above procedure is the one which will obtain when the Electoral College meets on Monday, September 8th in Saskatoon.

In my view the choice of a Primate presents peculiar difficulties. The late Primate possessed unique personal gifts as well as experience which fitted him for the office. Personally he enjoyed in unparalleled degree the trust and affection of the whole Church. Moreover, he knew the whole church intimately from the beginning of his incumbency. One never thought of him as bishop of Toronto. His understanding of and sympathy with the remotest mission made him one with every part of the Church from coast to coast. The new incumbent will have different gifts and a different background of experience. This is not to say that both his gifts and experience may not be precisely what the church needs at this time. "There are diversities of gifts but the same Spirit." There are not lacking men fitted to fill the office. Let us ask God to guide the Electoral College in its choice.

Chief among the qualities needed in our Primate is a spirit of unity. In his person he must weld this scattered church into one effective body. This is no light task. The danger of sectionalism is always present. The parts of the Church are widely separated geographically. Misunderstandings can

easily emerge and a divisive spirit be fostered between east and west. The Rocky mountains and the Great Lakes are not geographical hurdles alone but can become psychological or spiritual or ecclesiastical hurdles. The right person as Primate can enable the Church to overcome these natural obstacles and draw us all into a unity of mind and heart. Such a task requires tact and wisdom and grace. Further, I foresee the emergence of a divisive spirit along lines of Churchmanship—Catholic vs Protestant is the simplest way of stating the differences which exist. These differences run very deep and enter into all our conversations with other communions regarding the re-union of Christendom. In the not distant future we shall face this question in concrete form in General Synod. If, when that time comes, action is taken by General Synod on a majority vote it may very well result in disaster to the Church of England in Canada. The right person as Primate can do much to avoid precipitate action and preserve the measure of unity which we now enjoy. Meanwhile, he can inspire the Church to the study of the problems which will play such a major part in the future of the Christian Church. From all that I can read and understand I have come to the conclusion that the doctrine of the nature of the ministry is destined to become a test of orthodoxy parallel to that of the Incarnation. If this be the case it is high time our Church undertook seriously to study her doctrine of the Apostolic Ministry. I do not think the wisest leader can possibly avoid the emergence in an acute form of this issue between Catholic and Protestant in the Church of England, but I do believe that a wise leader can avoid divisive action until the issues are clearly understood and frankly faced by all our own people as well as those with whom we are now conversing on re-union. Given time and study our Church can act with discriminating intelligence. At the moment there is widespread ignorance of the real issues involved. We are now in no position to act upon the proposals of our Committee on re-union and there is no likelihood whatever that we shall be ready when General Synod meets again. Hence the supreme importance of the right leadership in the person of the Primate during the next decade.

I ask you brethren to say a prayer for the Electoral College as soon as you have reached this point. Ask God to bless and guide us.

Yours faithfully,

Walter Edmonton

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Editorial

The month of September will see the commencement of most of the activities in our Church life which were discontinued during the two holiday months. In some parishes meetings continue as usual during July and August, whilst in others, noticeably in the city, most organizations take a holiday, and start up again with renewed vigour and enthusiasm as soon as the children return to school.

The re-opening of day schools also marks the re-opening of most Sunday Schools, and we would like to urge upon all parents the need for sending their children regularly to the Church School. There was a time when children received a fair amount of religious training and bible teaching at the day school. Very little of such teaching is given nowadays, and the Sunday Schools, in one brief hour, are faced with an impossible task. This task is made even more impossible by the hit-and-miss system of attendance on the part of some children, a system which more often than not receives every encouragement from the home. The increasing secularization of the Sabbath Day

makes the work of the Sunday School teachers difficult enough, even with the support of the parents. Without that support, the job of teaching Sunday School is filled with all too many disappointments. Nothing is more encouraging than a class of children attending regularly, and keenly interested in the course. Nothing is more discouraging than a class of children who come when there is nowhere else to go, and have been absent so often that the course of lessons loses all sense of continuity and direction.

People are apt to talk glibly about 'not going to compel my children to go to Sunday School.' There is no such choice when it comes to day school. They have to go, and they soon learn to like it. No children like to be disciplined, but such discipline is part of their training, and necessary for their development. To let them 'do as they like' regarding Sunday School is but the feeble alibi of those who have not the necessary backbone to make sure their children get what they most certainly need. It is a striking indication that, as far as the parents are concerned, religious training is inconsequential and harmless. And then we wonder why our world is as it is!

The other old hoary chestnut excuse of 'not forcing the child to go in case it turns him against Church when he grows older' also needs exposing. It is no exaggeration to say that for every man who stays away from Church because he was forced to go as a boy, there are a thousand who stay away because they were **not** forced to go when they were boys.

The teachers on our Sunday School staffs are doing a service in our Church family life which is second to none. We believe they are worthy of the whole-hearted support of all parents. More important still, we believe there will be no hope of any brave new world until a solid Christian training and background is imparted to our children. Once again, we urge all parents to see to it that their children attend Sunday School regularly, and enrol now.

The September Meeting

The meeting of the Executive Committee and Boards of General Synod, which is to be held in Saskatoon, early in September, is of outstanding interest to all Church people. It is at this meeting that a successor to the late Archbishop Owen will be appointed. The Bishop in his letter has outlined the procedure which is to be followed in electing a new Primate. This important decision should be a matter of prayer on the part of the whole Church. We suggest that the Prayer on page 53 of our Prayer Book can easily be adapted as a most suitable prayer to be used daily until this choice has been made.



DIOCESAN NEWS



Clandonald

The people of St. Mary's Clandonald, are to be congratulated upon the improvements they are making to the vicarage. A full basement has been built and a furnace is to be installed—this will add greatly to the comfort and convenience of the house. The church has been made much more comfortable by insulation of the walls. The Rector is to be complimented upon the beauty of the garden and the grounds. What is now urgently needed to make the property a thing of beauty is a good coat of paint on the vicarage.

I cannot refrain from mentioning the work of the Girls' Choir, which does them and their leader great credit. My visit to the parish, with its fine spirit of fellowship, was a very happy occasion.

Kitscoty-Blackfoot

Here the supreme need is for a resident priest. Large and enthusiastic congregations at both churches testify the need for his ministrations. A new High School in Kitscoty, dormitories for girls and boys, are factors which make it urgent for us to make an appointment at the earliest possible date. The continued loyalty of our people through the past eight years with a minimum of services is a fine tribute to them.

BROADCASTING Services at 11 a.m.

Sept. 7—All Saints'	CJCA
14—St. Faith's	CFRN
21—Holy Trinity	CJCA
Oct. 5—All Saints'	CJCA

Readers are also invited to listen-in to the Devotional quarter hour at 4:15 p.m. daily, Monday to Friday, over Station CJCA.

CALENDAR

SEPT.

7	14th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
14	15th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
21	St. Matthew A.E. & M.
	16th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
28	17th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
29	St. Michael and All Angels

The Rev. T. W. Teape To Take Vermilion Post



The Rev. T. W. Teape, who has been in charge of the work on the Coal Branch during the past few years, has been appointed Rector of St. Saviour's, Vermilion. He will take up his new duties in September.

Congratulations

Born to the Rev. W. E. and Mrs. Harrison (nee Barbara Baird) a daughter, Janet Barbara, on July 25th, at the University Hospital.

Archdeacon Leversedge Leaves Vermilion on account of Ill-Health

The Ven. Walter Leversedge, D.D., who suffered a breakdown in health in the early summer has found it necessary to resign from the incumbency of St. Saviour's, Vermilion, where he has served for the past twelve years. An extended vacation on the West Coast has enabled him to make a good recovery, but his health does not permit any strenuous parish work.

The Archdeacon and Mrs. Leversedge will make their home at the Vicarage at Wabamum, where the Archdeacon will undertake such parish work as is required.

His many friends join in wishing him much happiness and improved health in his partial retirement.

Canon Wallis to St. Luke's, Edmonton

The Bishop announces the appointment of the Reverend Canon A. Wallis as Rector of St. Luke's, Edmonton, in succession to Canon Hatfield, whose resignation is reported in this number of the Churchman. Canon Wallis has been Rector of Camrose and Bittern Lake for some years. He was made a Canon at the last diocesan synod. The appointment was made in consultation with the Wardens and Vestry of St. Luke's. Canon Wallis will take up his new duties as soon as an appointment can be made to his present parish.

Diocesan Prayer Calendar

Each Sunday of each month we hope to suggest different Parishes, Causes and Clergy, on whose behalf we ask the prayers of our church people. Especially do we request that these be mentioned by name at one of the services held in every parish. Some churches will find it most convenient to make special mention at the early celebration of Holy Communion. Some such form as the following could be used: "According to our Diocesan Prayer Calendar, we are asked to pray today for the Parish of X, and its Rector, the Rev. So and So." We feel sure that the knowledge that a parish is receiving special mention in every other parish of the diocese will prove of great encouragement and blessing.

Sept. 7—Cathedral Parish of All Saints, Dean Trendell and the Rev. Howard Buckner.

Sept. 14—The Work of the Women's Auxiliary through the Diocese, especially in our own Parish.

Sept. 21—The Parish of St. Mary and St. George, Jasper and its Rector, the Rev. T. C. B. Boon.

Sept. 28—The Parish of St. Mary's, Ponoka, and its Rector, the Rev. F. A. Peake.

Requests for special mention of particular subjects suitable for our Diocesan Calendar will be welcomed.

To Alert Bay



Canon W. H. Hatfield

It is with regret we say "goodbye" to the Rev. Canon W. H. Hatfield, Vicar of St. Luke's Church, Edmonton, who has accepted a call to become Rector of the Parish Church of Alert Bay, British Columbia. (Alert Bay is on a small island off the northeast coast of Vancouver Island, and about 190 miles north of Victoria). Alert Bay is a self supporting parish, and nearby is the Indian school of the same name, the largest of our schools under the direction of the Church of England.

Canon Hatfield will be very much missed both in the city and diocese, having been in the diocese for a quarter of a century. He came to Edmonton in 1922 for the purpose of re-opening the Edmonton Mission. He was ordained by Bishop Gray in 1922 and served in the parish of Lac la Nonne until 1927. He was Vicar of Wabamum from 1927-28, coming to St. Luke's, Edmonton, in 1928. Under his strong, patient and untiring ministry the parish has grown, and possesses a fine church, hall and rectory in excellent condition. He was appointed a Canon of the diocese in 1942, and for some time held the office of Rural Dean of Edmonton.

During these years he has been greatly helped by the unselfish and devoted work of Mrs. Hatfield.

Members of the congregation of St. Luke's, and of the Bonnie Doon community joined in expressing their appreciation and affection, and made a presentation to Canon and Mrs. Hatfield. Through the kindness of Bishop and Mrs. Barfoot the clergy and wives met at the See House and garden to express their regret at the departure of Canon and Mrs. Hatfield, and to wish them "Godspeed." On behalf of the clergy the Bishop presented them with a gift, voicing his appreciation of

their splendid contribution to the life and work of the diocese.

They hope to arrive at Alert Bay during September and they will carry with them the good wishes and prayers of a host of friends and well-wishers. "We wish them luck in the name of the Lord."

The Rev. G. D. Kelly, B.A., L.Th. Appointed to St. Paul's, Jasper Place

The Reverend G. D. Kelly, Rector of Manitou, Manitoba, has been appointed to succeed the Reverend J. N. Godkin as incumbent of St. Paul's, Jasper Place. That Mr. Kelly has accepted and is free to come to take over the parish on Sunday, September 21st, is a matter of rejoicing throughout the parish and diocese. The Archbishop of Rupert's Land very kindly released him for this important work without requiring the canonical three months' notice.

Mr. Kelly is a graduate in Arts of the University of Manitoba and St. John's College and a Licentiate of Theology of St. John's. His ordained ministry has been spent entirely in the diocese of Rupert's Land.

St. Paul's parish was fortunately able to buy a very suitable Rectory near the church. It is expected that Mr. and Mrs. Kelly and their two daughters will arrive in Edmonton about September 18th. We give them a hearty welcome and pray God's blessing on their work here.

Returns to Diocese

We welcome with pleasure the arrival back in the diocese of the Rev. Geoffrey Walter Wilson, who with Mrs. Wilson and their two children are now residing in Edmonton. Mr. Wilson first came to the diocese as a student from Emmanuel College in 1927, and served in the parish of Monitor. He was ordained deacon by Bishop Gray in 1930 (priested 1931) and served in the parishes of Tofield (1930-31), Edgerton (1931-34) and Provost (1934-35). He returned to England with the intention of staying there a few years, but the advent of the World War prevented his coming to Canada.

The Rev. G. W. Wilson is presently working with the Rev. L. M. Watts in the parishes of St. Faith's and St. Michael's, North Edmonton. We wish him every blessing in his work in the diocese.

In Memoriam

The death of Mrs. Maurice Destrube, of Rife, is recorded with a profound sense of the great loss which the church has suffered. Few church-women have ever disclosed such a combination of great qualities of mind and heart. She was a professional urban woman by training and experience who applied her trained mind to the life and work of a farm home. The skill and devotion which made her home a constant source of surprised delight to all who had the privilege of seeing it and enjoying the hospitality it always provided, is an abiding tribute to her. But her home was not a self-centred place. It was created in order to inspire in the whole community the values she cherished.

Above all, she loved and cherished her "Father's House." Under her leadership a beautiful church was erected in a prominent place dominating the country side. Upon it she bestowed all her skill and sense of beauty so that it is a true memorial to her memory. By her will she made provision for the perpetual maintenance of the fabric and her husband has made provision for the perpetual maintenance of the churchyard in which she is buried. In all her work for the church Mrs. Destrube was fully supported by her husband, as well as by the faithful band of people who worshipped with her there. The faith and courage which carried her indomitable spirit through the many difficulties of pioneer days also carried her unfalteringly through the prolonged and painful illness.

She has entered new life. We do well to cherish her memory.

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The Summer School

An excellent programme was provided for those who attended the Summer School this year. Our three lecturers served "fare" that was fit for a king. Mr. T. C. Thommen, of South India, gave us a vivid first-hand account of conditions in India, the state of the church there, its work, and its opportunities. With a wealth of background that comes from membership in a church, the Mar Thoma Church, which has been in existence since at least the second century, Mr. Thommen made India live for us in a way that opened our eyes to the contribution that India may yet make to the Western world. We were delighted with the way in which Mr. Thommen entered into the life of the school, taking part in all its activities, living as one of us, and even able to appreciate and use the English language and its modern idioms. Through the kindness of the G.B.R.E. we were again privileged to have the Rev. L. A. C. "Ambi" Smith with us. His lectures on "Church and Home" were not only enlightening but made highly entertaining in the way that "Ambi" alone can make them. Our Bible study was conducted by the Rev. C. E. F. Wolff, who was also Chaplain of the school. Mr. Wolff's studies took us through the 119th Psalm—no small task for such a mixed group. But it was done with a depth of devotion and a clarity of exposition that we will not soon forget. The "athletic" programme was supervised by Mr. Owen Johnston, a student from Trinity College, Toronto, who is in charge of the Edson mission for the summer. A hike, a treasure hunt, baseball, and swimming took up a good deal of our time. And the evening programmes provided a considerable variety, combined with a great many excellent films. And we must not forget the contribution to the school made by Mrs. Pitts, the "housekeeper," whose usual high standard of cooking reminded us of home.

Altogether it was a most enjoyable ten days. But it seems that a good deal of missionary work needs to be done in regard to the Summer School. There were only eight parishes represented, four Edmonton, and four rural. Such an opportunity to combine a real vacation with a valuable fellowship,

re-creating our souls, minds and bodies, in a natural setting of great beauty—surely it ought not to be missed. Talk about it to those who were at Kapasiwin this year, and plan to come yourselves to the next Summer School.

E. S. O.

Teen-Age Girls Hold Successful Camp

Over forty girls were in attendance at the 'Teen-Age Camp for Girls at Kapasiwin held from August 5th to 15th. Miss Arva Stewart, Girls' Work Supervisor, was in charge, and the staff included the Rev. F. E. Smith (Chaplain), Mrs. E. F. Smith (nurse), Mrs. McLeod (camp mother), Mrs. T. Atkinson (Guide captain), and Miss H. Eckert (sports).

Activities for each day were fully planned, and included Bible Study, choir work, handicrafts, swimming and games, boating, etc. There were also special programmes of entertainment each evening. The Girl Guides from Calder spent some time on their Guide programme.

A "Camp Bank" was organized to provide for the proper spending of pocket money, and any tuck bought from the camp canteen was charged to the girls' bank accounts.

The evening programmes were much enjoyed and consisted of a "get-acquainted" party on the opening night; an initiation ceremony built around the song, "Follow the Gleam"; fashion shows, skits and songs; an amateur night; and masquerade. The outstanding evening event was a birthday party, which included a formal dinner, with toasts and after-dinner speeches.

An address by Mr. Thommen, of India, proved of very great interest to the camp.

There were the usual few casualties, and the staff and girls feel much indebted to Dr. N. E. Alexander, who was holidaying at Kapasiwin, and most generously attended three of the girls.

All felt that the camp was most successful in every way, and the girls are already talking about "next year."

If you don't deal with your own sins first thing in the morning, your neighbors will have to deal with them in your kids all the rest of the day.

YOUR JOB—MY JOB

There are lots of little duties one's Rector has to do
That might easily be done by either me or you,
Such as writing out the hymn-sheets for the choristers to use,
And putting up the hymn-boards for those who sit in pews.
Then there's turning on the organ for the organist to play,
And putting on the lights so that folks can see their way.
And there's lots of other duties that our Rector has to do
That might easily be done by either me or you.
For example there's the furnace which must be lit at night,
And the ringing of the bell making sure it "tinkles" right.
And also there's the money which must be locked away,
And polishing the brasses to make them bright as day.
Then to help our busy Rector in the jobs he has to do,
Let's call for volunteers and attempt to form a queue.
Because with vergers unobtainable and cleaners very few,
There's lots of things that would be done by folk like me and you.

—G.M.D.H.H.

—The Scottish Guardian.

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Woman's Auxiliary



Coming Events

The annual evening board meeting of the W.A. will be held on Friday, September 19, at Christ Church. It will be a supper meeting at 6:30 p.m. This is to give the city branches and nearby rural branches an opportunity to meet the officers of the Dominion Executive, who are to be our guests for that one day. Tickets will be issued to branches early in September. The charge for the supper will be 75 cents.

The W.A. appreciates the kindness of Mrs. E. S. Ottley and her evening group of young women for consenting to provide the supper.

It is hoped that the speakers on that occasion will be the Dominion President, Mrs. R. E. Wodehouse, and the Vice-President for Western Canada, Mrs. H. Martin.

The Dominion Annual W.A. will be held in Calgary on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, September 16, 17, 18.

The annual tea sponsored by the Life Members of the diocese is set for Friday, October 3, in All Saints' Hall, from 3-5:30. The proceeds will be applied to the 30th Anniversary Fund (for the salary of Miss Stewart, Regional Guild Worker).

Deceased Life Members

Mrs. Emily Bryden, Summerland, B.C., Miss Winifred Tims, Calgary, Alta., Mrs. Louie White, St. Faith's, Edmonton, Mrs. Ada Bissell, St. Faith's, Edmonton.

Miss Winifred Tims, only daughter of the late Archdeacon W. J. and Mrs. Tims, pioneer missionaries on the Blackfoot Indian Reserve and later on the Sarcee Reserve, passed away in Calgary, June 15, 1947.

Miss Tims was born in Calgary in 1892; was educated privately and at the C.M.S. College, Surrey, England. She taught from 1911 to 1940 at the Sarcee Indian School; then became a substitute teacher in Calgary so that she might be near her parents who had retired to live in Calgary. After their deaths, she returned to her work on the Sarcee Reserve.

Miss Tims was a member of the executive of the Calgary Diocesan Board of the W.A. and was made a Life Member of the Edmonton Diocesan Board about 1918, as a tribute to the missionary work of herself and her family.

Her funeral was held from St. Stephen's Church, Calgary, and was attended by many of the delegates to Synod, which was in session at the time, and by the W.A. of Calgary; also by the members of the two Indian Reserves. Two of the latter acted as pallbearers.

Miss Tims had started to write the voluminous memoirs of those early pioneer days; this work will be completed by other members of her family. Two brothers survive: Reginald of Calgary and Sydney of Abbotsford, B.C.

For Educational Secretaries

The adult study book, "One Family," reached here in time for only one Deanship annual—the meeting at Wainwright, where all branches were able to procure their copies in time for the beginning of work in September. Others may get their copies from Mrs. L. D. Moore, 10908 108 Street. The price is \$1.00.

"First Canadians" is for the teenaged—price 60c.

For the Juniors, missionary interest will be based on "Worship Round the World." To assist in the use of this study, it is suggested "that the group or individual junior make a 'Worship Book,' or a book of drawings which illustrate the stories. Make use of the Bible, quotations, pictures, and symbols used in the book."

Gift to Kapasiwin Camp

Two Life Memberships amounting to \$50.00 have been donated by their recipients, Mrs. Cooper of Vermilion, and Mrs. Nicholls of St. Paul's, Edmonton, to the new building at Kapasiwin. In addition three deaneries voted \$25.00 for linoleum for the kitchen—Wetaskiwin \$7.00; Vermilion \$4.00; Wainwright \$14.00.

Answer to inquiries re Dorcas bales. Mrs. H. J. Wilson wishes the branches who have been making such inquiries to know that the bales should be sent to the Diocesan Dorcas rooms at 10029 103 Street (Synod Office), not later than October 1.

Some Hard Hitting*

By Dorothy Sayers

I do not care whether you believe in Christianity or not, but I do resent your being so ignorant, lazy, and unintelligent. Why don't you take the trouble to find out what is Christianity and what isn't? Why, when you can bestir yourselves to mug up technical terms about electricity, won't you do as much for theology before you begin to argue about it? Why do you never read either the ancient or the modern authorities in the subject, but take your information for the most part from biologists and physicists, who have picked it up inaccurately as yourselves? (You wouldn't take the Bishop of Rum-ti-foo's opinion on biology, or be content with the Rev. Mr. Pulpit's exposition of atomic physics.) Why do you accept mildewed old heresies as bold and constructive contributions to modern Christian thought, when any handbook on Church history would tell you where they come from? Why do you complain that the proposition "God is Three-in-One" is obscure and mystical, and yet acquiesce meekly in the physicist's "fundamental formula," " $qp-pq=ih/2n$, where $i=\sqrt{-1}$," when you know quite well that $\sqrt{-1}$ is paradoxical and n incalculable? What makes you suppose that the expression "God ordains" is a narrow and bigoted anthropomorphism, whereas the expressions "Nature provides" or "science demands" are objective statements of fact? (Who are these abstractions that we should personify them?) Why, when you insist on the importance of being modern and progressive, do you never read any textual criticism of the Bible that is not fifty years out of date; and why, on the other hand, when you insist on going back to the "pre-Pauline

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It Makes You Think

By Rev. David L. Greene,
Emerson, Man.

When a person two decades ago ventured to express an opinion beginning, "I think . . ." he was most likely to be asked, albeit ungrammatically "What with?"—a rude wisecrack signifying doubt that the would-be thinker possessed any gray matter. (Time out here for relaxation.)

Shortly after writing above opening paragraph I was intrigued at coming across documentary evidence that intellectual people actually did hold this dim view of their neighbor's thinking equipment. Surprising co-incidence!

This evidence occurs in a passage in Damon Runyon's short story, "Baseball Hattie." Now you know the form my relaxation takes and the kind of literature I read. I quote: "Manager Mac suspends him, hoping maybe it will cause Haystack to do a little thinking, but naturally Haystack is unable to do this, because he has nothing to think with."

Happily, common appraisal of the average person's mental power-house has been revised upwards so that today most everyone is conceded ability to cogitate. Proof of this readiness to grant power to think is found in a current wisecrack. Tragic happenings and untoward conditions today almost invariably bring forth this comment, "It makes you think!" The plain implication is that you have brains with which to think. This compliment should always be acknowledged with a gracious, "Thank you," for people are none too generous with their compliments in this taken-for-granted age.

But ability to think does not crack many mental nuts unless it is used. Tennyson had something like this to say about men's not using their power to pray:

"For what are men better than sheep
and goats
That nourish a blind life within the
brain,
If, knowing God, they lift not hands
of prayer. . . ."

The idea might be adapted to our theme thus, "For what are men better than planes or cars that go and stop

according to the whim of a carburetor, if, having brains they think not; but rather say with the Psalmist, "I do not exercise myself in great matters."

It would seem that failure to use the thinking faculty has always been characteristic of the human family. The Prophet Isaiah had cause to complain of his people's mental inertia. "The ox knoweth his owner and the ass his master's crib, but Israel doth not know, my people doth not consider."

However, personal and national disasters do occasionally rouse people out of apathy. In some of the American States there are road signs which seize upon the fear of death to make people think. These markers are large metal discs centred with an X and bearing the legend, "Marks the spot." In bold letters also appears the single word, "THINK." The spot is where one or more persons were killed. At some dangerous corners and railway crossings may be seen several of these grim reminders standing in a row and proclaiming that here somebody paid the price for thoughtlessness. As you drive past them you instinctively slow down—for they make you think.

In Old Testament days plagues, pestilences and wars were regarded as punishments and visitations of God. Re-formations sometimes followed them. In our day people are not so ready to accept national catastrophes in the same way. But they do see the hand of God in that some good is brought out of great evils. Fires and floods and famines do make people think.

During the recent war most people did some hard thinking. Many who

ordinarily were careless and neglectful of spiritual things found comfort, courage and strength in prayer and worship. Millions were moved to acts of self-sacrifice by the sufferings of war victims. Readers gave more time to serious books and articles. Picture shows based on historical and Biblical themes enjoyed an upsurge of popularity. Times of great stresses are times of reflection.

As to what permanent impression, if any, the recent war made upon current thought there is wide diversity of opinion. There are those who hold that while the war drove people to think about religious matters, now with the urgency of winning a victory and the physical danger to loved ones removed that interest in religion has waned.

Others there are who believe that a new religious fervour was generated by war experiences that will result in a real revival of religion. This view finds support in the increased numbers of young men desiring to enter the ministry and in such movements as the campaign for the conversion of England, the Advance in Canada and the United States and the growing youth activities in our Christian churches.

Whatever may be the true appraisal of the war's effect upon present thought there are sufficient post-war conditions to give us pause.

While police officers are engaged in removing the bodies of two youths from a wrecked automobile bystanders conjectured, was it a blowout, or reckless driving under the influence of liquor? One remarks, "It makes you think!" Our annual toll of human life in accidents is comparable to that of war. Most of these accidents are preventable, if drivers would do more thinking—and less drinking. A recent study of three hundred American cities is reported as estimating that sixty-one percent of accidents are caused by persons who are drunk or who have had "one or two."

Father sits by the fireside, newspaper in hand. He reads a comparison of Canada's drink bill with the amount expended on education. He lays his paper down and says, "It makes you think!" We have a system which is calculated to turn out drunkards faster than nurses, teachers or parsons. Life in the Services made many thousands

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XVIII—THE DECLINE OF THE MONASTERIES

By the year 1200 the monasteries had reached the height of their power and influence. Professor H. Cowan, in a book called "Landmarks of Church History," suggests that monasticism was doomed from its very beginning. "It had evil elements," he says, "which from the first were spiritually detrimental and eventually became morally ruinous. Its enforced celibacy was unnatural, and it was inevitable that nature should revolt. Withdrawal from domestic life involved loss of purifying influences; neglect of social fellowship and responsibilities entailed narrow-mindedness and selfishness: constant attention to minute regulations tended to turn men into religious machines."

It would seem then that the collapse of monasticism was due to this revolt of the flesh over the spirit, but it was due, even more, to the blatant capitalism which was practiced naked and unashamed by the great religious orders. At least one historian has had occasion to point out that the vow of poverty bound the individual alone; it was scarcely more than a fiction for the community. Because of the principles for which the monasteries stood men showered them with gifts and bequests. Gold, silver, and precious stones found their way into monastic treasuries. Farms and estates, together with their labourers who were virtually slaves, were transferred to the great religious houses until they became the largest landed proprietors in Europe. Such extensive possessions required extensive supervision and the monks no longer spent their time in prayer and labour but rode abroad to manage the estates and to collect the rents and tolls. The bond which had formerly bound monk and peasant was broken. The peasant trudged to his work past great walls which reminded him that the inmates were protected not only by God's grace but by human force. The great church and its steeple dominated the whole landscape; under that church, as the villager very well knew, few monks were content with anything

like his own sparing fare. The monks, when they came into the fields, looked down from their horses upon the labourers and their friendliest talk was condescending and patronizing. The doles and broken meats distributed at the almonry were, as everybody knew, produced not by the monk's but by the peasant's toil.

From such a state of affairs it was but a short step to the complete abandonment of the rule of S. Benedict and in the 13th century we find an abbot writing thus of monks in general:

"Nowadays we see all men, far and wide, so indulgently licensed to ride on horseback that even monks are not restrained therefrom; nay, you will scarce find a monk of our days who can or will undertake the labour of a long journey on foot. Where is the road, the village, where is the crowded thoroughfare, in which one does not see the monk on horseback? Who is now able to leave his house without stumbling upon a monk? Is there a feast, a fair, or a market place where monks do not appear? They are to be seen in all assemblies, in all battles, in all tourneys. Monks swarm everywhere that knights assemble for battle. What do they in the midst of the shock of bucklers and the crash of furious lances, and wherefore are they authorized to go out thus and ride about?"

It is therefore apparent that the final suppression of the monasteries of England by Henry VII in the years 1536-1539 was not altogether the arbitrary action of a worldly monarch but was, to some extent, a genuine effort to correct an evil situation. Before that time, however, there was one serious effort to reform the monastic orders, led by S. Francis of Assisi with which I shall deal in the next article.

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Depression is fear in action. A boom is greed in action. War is hate in action. "Good times" come when fear-free, greed-free, hate-free men go into action.

Some Hard Hitting

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simplicity of the Gospels," does it never occur to you to verify your dates and discover which came first, the Gospels or St. Paul? Why don't you do a hand's turn for yourselves, confound you? You would be ashamed to know as little about internal combustion as you do about the Nicene Creed. I admit that you can practise Christianity without knowing much about theology, just as you can drive a car without understanding internal combustion—but if something breaks down in the car you go humbly to the man who understands the works, whereas if something goes wrong with your religion you merely throw the creed away and tell the theologian he's a liar. Why do you want a letter from me telling you about God? You will never bother to check up on it and find out whether I am giving you a personal opinion or the Church's doctrine, and your minds are so confused that you would rather hear the former than the latter. Go away and do some work, and let me get on with mine.

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Archdeacon James Hunter

by Rev. T. C. B. Boon, B.A.

Mr. Hunter tried hard, and with some success, to get the Indians to take up agriculture, and is credited with having horses, cattle, pigs and sheep himself, and to have sown wheat, barley, potatoes and garden seeds. By 1853 there were thirty to forty houses in the settlement, the land was being cultivated and the Indians had also acquired cattle and horses. In 1854 the Baptismal Roll numbered 663 and there were 100 Communicants; the whole place had an air of growth and vitality.

Mr. Hunter left the Mission at The Pas in 1852 to become incumbent at St. Andrew's, and in 1853 went on furlough to England. Whilst there, he addressed a Missionary Meeting in the rooms of Mr. Nicholson, a Fellow of Emmanuel College, Cambridge. Amongst those present was a young undergraduate of Sidney Sussex College, named Robert Machray, who thus made his first acquaintance with the problems which twelve years later he was to face as Bishop of Rupert's Land.

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In 1855 Mr. Hunter became the first Archdeacon of Cumberland, and so acquired the title by which he was affectionately known for the rest of his life. He seems to have made another trip to England, and whilst there the Archbishop of Canterbury conferred on him an Honourary D.D. This may have been in recognition of his work in translating into the Cree language the Prayer Book and Three Gospels, for his first work in this way was published in 1847. In 1851 Mr. Hunter married Miss Jean Ross, daughter of Mr. Chief Factor Donald Ross of Norway House, herself an excellent Cree scholar, who greatly assisted him in later translation work. Like Archdeacon Robert McDonald, Archdeacon Hunter was a strong advocate of the use of Roman characters in preference to Syllabics, claiming that they gave more elasticity in dealing with the 'agglutinative' character of the language in extending its verbs.

Archdeacon Hunter's incumbency of St. Andrew's has left few recorded memories, except that he was a great evangelical preacher. More than fifty years later Archbishop Matheson could

recollect a series of Lenten Addresses which the Archdeacon had given in St. Paul's, Middlechurch, which he had heard as a small boy. St. Andrew's was then at the zenith of its influence and importance, both as a Parish and a Settlement. In 1861, St. Clement's Church at Mapleton, about six miles north of the Lower Church and just north of Lower Fort Garry was begun, being consecrated in 1864. The Archdeacon also introduced the novelty of artificial lighting into St. Andrew's Church by the simple expedient of taking the four wheels of an old buckboard, boring holes in the rims, inserting candles in the holes and hanging the wheels from the ceilings: the effect was considered both charming and efficient by the parishioners.

Towards the end of the 'fifties,' the Church in Rupert's Land began to see work to be done in still more distant places, a vision which was largely due to the inspiration of Bishop Anderson himself. It resulted in Archdeacon Hunter volunteering to make a journey into the basin of the Mackenzie River, which he did in the winter of 1859-60, travelling as far north as Fort Good Hope. Bishop Anderson once commented on this by saying "The proposal came from one among you; a plan for a very long and distant enterprise, to plant the Cross in a new territory and penetrate towards the Arctic Sea. He came, not sketching a plan for others but willing to start himself, wanting but an answer to his offer, 'Here am I, send me.' We have surely reason to thank him today for the commencement of a good work there, and however difficult its continuance may be, ours will be in a great measure the blame, should the station be abandoned and the citadel thus gained be given up." So was founded the work which has been made famous by the names of Kirkby, Robert McDonald, Bompas and Stringer, which now the Provincial Synod of Rupert's Land is earnestly striving to revive.

Archdeacon Hunter again went to England at the end of 1864, and was consulted by the Reverend Machray before the latter accepted the Bishopric of Rupert's Land. If he returned to Canada, it was not permanently, for in

1866 he resigned from the Diocese, greatly to the regret of all who knew him.

In addressing the 1867 Conference, Bishop Machray said "Archdeacon Hunter has finally withdrawn from the missionary work to which he gave the brightest and most hearty days of his life. Endowed, I understand, with great readiness and power of speech, constitutionally vigorous and well-acquainted with the Cree language, he had the gifts that, with the Grace of God, make an effective missionary."

Women of India Learn to Save

The Palampur Branch of the Women's Co-operative Thrift Club is one of the best means of contact with non-Christian women that our Mission has.

The monthly meetings, which are held in the comparative privacy of the President's (Mrs. C. R. H. Wilkinson) garden are an event in the lives of especially the Mohammedan women who otherwise never leave the seclusion of their homes. Covered from head to foot in a burkha they arrive in the garden, then, shedding this coverage, they enjoy the change of scenery and the society of other women—Christian, Sikh, Hindu and Moslem. (Hindu, Sikh and of course Christian, women do not generally observe purdah.)

These Thrift Clubs are a government project but are sponsored by groups wishing to help the people. Each woman has a type of bank book and deposits a certain amount each month, saving toward some definite object such as the education of her children. The money is invested by the government and once a year a dividend of perhaps

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of our young people into habitual drinkers. Facilities provided by our present day beverage places, which were devised to nurture "moderation" ensure continuance of the habit formed in the wet canteen.

Much of current fiction and a large percentage of our picture shows subtly convey the impression that beer, wine and hard liquor drinking constitute our normal way of life. A party without a flask on the hip or a cocktail shaker on the table is considered a drab affair.

How is a well meaning Christian society to deal with this age old problem of drink? Prohibition has been tried and found impracticable. Government "control" generously permits an individual to purchase quantities of liquor beyond his capacity to consume. If he be so minded he can supply the neighborhood bootlegger with sufficient to carry on a lucrative trade.

The Manitoba Temperance Alliance is seriously considering the wisdom of Governments completely nationalizing the liquor traffic by taking over the manufacture as well as the sale of liquor. This proposal prompts the question, would our Governments be less susceptible to the lure of profits than private manufacturers? Our several Provinces are deriving handsome revenues now from sales and are able to announce steadily increasing profits each year. The opportunity of doubling or tripling these profits by manufacturing liquor are "not to be sneezed at." "It makes you think!"

Mother scans the social page and rejoices inwardly with all those June brides whose wedding stories fill the sheet. She turns the page. Her eyes alight upon the long column listing the names of those couples who have won divorces. She estimates that one out of every five pairs just married will eventually find their way into divorce courts. She sighs, "It makes you think!"

Aunt Jane has a daughter recently graduated from High School. She notes in the "Letters to the Editor" one entitled, "A Harvest of Evil." She reads that a Provincial Minister of Health states that in 1946 in his Province there were eight hundred and

seventy-five illegitimate births. She agrees with the letter writer that these figures mean hundreds of blighted lives both of parents and children. That they mean a harvest of evil with which social agencies will have to grapple. Aunt Jane comments, "It makes you think!"

The rural parson in the older settled towns of the West notes that there is an unusual demand for enlargement of schoolhouses, rinks, dance halls and picture theatres to accommodate the increasing numbers which throng these places. But there is no need to enlarge the Churches in the same communities. In fact the House of God built by a generation of God-fearing pioneers is today much more commodious than need be except for funerals or weddings. Those in the community who assemble for worship on the Lord's Day by no means fill the edifice. The parson says, "It makes you think!"

Truly, peace has her problems as great as war. But these problems are with us largely because people as they hasten to adopt the latest custom, to keep step with timely trends, do not stop to think. Robert Service, whose rhymes I have enjoyed, reveals the popular unthinking attitude toward evil in his verse:

"I sometimes think the devil grins
As seas of ink I spatter.
Ye gods, forgive my literary sins—
The other kind DON'T matter!"

If the current wise-crack is true and thought-provoking conditions really "make you think" there is hope that a society which successfully won a war of arms can find its way out of war's aftermath. But that way will be found only after a re-discovery of the fact that "the other kind" does matter.

That way will be found in the power of Him who is "the way and the truth and the life," the only Power that will help one to keep his "body in temperance, soberness and chastity." We have tried both drastic and mild forms of legislation to effect social reforms. We have tried many types of uplift organizations and methods that tread lightly upon the festering sores of society, being careful not to probe the seat of infection namely, the human heart.

But "as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be," there is only

one Effective. To save the world God sent His Son. That was God's idea of what it would take. "What think ye of Christ?" If the magnitude of our post-war tasks strikes you at all "It makes you think!"

Women of India Learn to Save

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6% is declared and divided among the members. To draw from her savings a member must have the consent of the meeting, seldom withheld but at least a check on spending on less important things.

The meetings will include talks on health, travel or some other non-religious subject: or a health play or a programme put on by the pupils of one of our schools.

Though no religious teaching can be given at these gatherings the Christian influence is there and the way is opened for visits to the homes where the conversation can be brought around to this topic.

They Trust the Christians

It's an ill wind that doesn't benefit someone—even the riots in India, so tragic in themselves, give an opportunity to missions for service to the suffering. A recent letter from the Rev. Geoffrey Guiton, Principal of the Harriet Buchanan Boys' School, to individuals and Sunday Schools who are supporting his boys, tells of this opportunity:

"Well, the school is more alive than ever," writes Mr. Guiton, "and filling a greater need. There have been so many refugees come here from places where there is terrible trouble going on, that we are simply overcrowded. It is difficult to turn these boys away. But we have reached the grand total of 830 boys this morning; all our classrooms are crowded—and still the refugees come. Here is a typical case that happened yesterday.

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We are grateful to the Rev. E. P. N. Orme, and the Rev. Canon C. F. A. Clough for conducting the services during the absence of the Rector.

A special meeting of the Sunday School staff was called to make plans for the re-opening of Sunday Schools on September 7th. It was decided that the main school will meet in future in the morning instead of the afternoon. Beginners and Primary (up to grade 2) will meet at 11 a.m. in the church basement. The main school (grade 3 and up) will attend the church service at 11 a.m., retiring to the church basement at the hymn before the sermon. Children may sit with their parents if they wish to do so. We welcome several newcomers to the teaching staff. The system of button awards for regular attendance will be re-instituted, starting in October.

Parish Hall: Contributions to the Parish Hall Fund have slackened during the holiday months, but with the re-opening of fall activities it is our hope that every individual and organization will work wholeheartedly towards the fulfilment of this most needed addition to our church plant. The architect's plans are almost completed, and at the moment we can see some \$12,000.00 in hand.

With the re-opening of day schools on Sept. 2nd all our youth organizations should get off to an early start. Notices of meetings will be given, and everyone is urged to join up early in September.

ST. LUKE'S

In the resignation of Canon Hatfield, the parish of St. Luke and the diocese of Edmonton lose an able and beloved priest. Twenty-five years ago in the Old Country, Canon Hatfield joined the staff of the Edmonton Mission, sponsored by the Archbishop of Canterbury's Western Canada Fund and was sent to the districts of Lac la Nonne, Heaton Moor, Belvedere, etc., and was later vicar of Wabamum, where he served until his appointment to St. Luke's church nineteen years ago. Canon Hatfield is the last link with the Edmonton Mission which helped so much in the diocese in the days long since past. Those early days in the country, before roads were built and when communities were very isolated, brought experiences for those devoted priests that live only as memories, but what memories! Hours and hours spent riding through mud and water in the spring—battling hordes of mosquitoes in summer—chopping ice in Lac la Nonne in 60 below zero weather, in order that the horse might be watered. Happily those days are past, but it

is well to remember and to record the faithfulness of those servants of God who endured privations and hardships that the gospel might be preached. Canon Hatfield will be remembered as a builder. Not only has the parish of St. Luke progressed spiritually under his guidance but the church building—the parish hall, the vicarage and the grounds bear silent testimony to his untiring efforts. Canon Hatfield has been appointed rector of Alert Bay, Vancouver Island, and leaves with his family at the end of the month for British Columbia. The congregation and other friends are holding a farewell party on August 22nd to wish them "God speed" in their new work.

The congregation said "Goodbye" to Mrs. Fazackerly on Sunday, August 10th, at the morning service when a framed picture was presented to her in appreciation of her work as "Living Message" secretary of the W.A. For thirteen years Mrs. Fazackerly had faithfully delivered the magazine to subscribers in the parish and performed many other acts of service in connection with the church. The whole congregation rejoices in the knowledge that she is recovering from her long illness and assures her that their prayers and good wishes follow her to her new home in Vancouver.

Mabel Easterby, Dorothy Ritchie, Rosalie Scott and David Hatfield have been awarded diplomas for having passed three years written examinations set by the G.B.R.E. These diplomas will be presented at the morning service on August 24.

The re-shingling and painting of the church and hall has been completed as well as the redecorating of the interior of the church. The new red roofs against the green trees in the garden are very effective.

ST. STEPHEN'S

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The Rev. G. E. F. Wolff

The summer months have witnessed many improvements to the church. The exterior has been entirely redecorated and renovated and now looks like a new building. Subscriptions are still being received towards the building fund and we hope to make a beginning on the interior—with a slightly different color scheme. At the same time, the basement is receiving attention from a few volunteers and we hope to have this in order very soon.

The Bishop held a confirmation on June 22, when the following were confirmed: Bruce Clifton Compton, Allyn Gerald Hadley, Larry Benjamin Hadley, John Francis Virtue, Douglas Roy Wentworth, Melville Wentworth, Doreen Blanche Ainslie, Dorothy Marian Ainslie, Patricia Anne Crowle, Lenore Joyce

Hanson, Margaret Spencer Lind, Shirley Madeline Schollar, Darlene Margaret Suckling, and Margaret Helen Wilson. On the following Sunday at 8 a.m. these young people received their first communion. The rector is very pleased that a very large number of older communicants attended this service.

The rector and five parishioners attended the diocesan summer school this year.

During the rector's absence on holiday in August the services were conducted by the Rev. J. J. Scandrett and the Rev. Canon Crane-Williams. Neither of these priests are strangers to St. Stephen's and we were happy to have them with us and grateful for their ministrations.

The Sunday School will resume its activities on Sunday, September 14th.

Sunday Services:

8:00 a.m., Holy Communion.

11:00 a.m., Sung Eucharist.

7:30 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

The Church School meets every Sunday at 10:00 a.m.

Weekday Services:

Holy Communion—Monday, Thursday and Saturday at 8:00 a.m., Wednesday at 10:00 a.m.

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ST. PAUL'S, LEDUC

Services are held on the second and fourth Sundays. On June 20th Bishop Barfoot conducted a confirmation service. Those who received the laying on of hands were Neil Wilkinson, Eileen Dickson, Joan Wilkinson, Florence Wilkinson. Mr. and Mrs. Norman Allin have moved to Millet. Mr. Allin was a member of the vestry and Mrs. Allin was treasurer of the W.A. for a number of years. The best wishes of the congregation go with them.

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Services were held between Easter and early June each Sunday and were kindly taken by Mr. Thomas from St. Paul's United Church, Cold Lake. Anglican services commenced on June 8th and were conducted by Mr. H. J. Ayres. On Friday, June 20th, we welcomed Father Raymond Lockyer, S.S. J.E., who came direct from Bracebridge to spend some weeks with us. On June 22nd services were conducted by Father Lockyer, and Mr. Thomas, from Cold Lake, preached in the morning. Celebration of Holy Communion was held on June 24th, St. John Baptist day. Father Lockyer was daily kept busy up until departure on July 21st in visits to the sick and teaching classes in the church and in homes, together with regular services each Sunday. On Sunday, July 6th, Father Lockyer celebrated Holy Communion in the Church of St. John the Baptist Rife at 11:00 a.m.

Sunday, July 13th, was the day of our Bishop's visit. Services of Holy Communion were held at 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. with evensong and confirmation in the afternoon. At the afternoon service six candidates received the Laying on Hands and were welcomed as full members of our church. On the same day lunch was served in our new Church Recreation Hall, the hall being officially opened by the Bishop who spoke words of encouragement to the Recreation Committee and pointed out the great value of wholesome entertainment. Father Lockyer conducted his final services on Sunday, July 20th, before leaving us the next day. All old friends and new ones greatly appreciated Father Lockyer's visit, the Sacraments, and the work among us, and we hope that he will be able to come again next year. Mr. Ayres conducted Evensong on Sunday, July 27th. It is not expected that church services will be possible again before sometime in October.

The Annual Church Picnic was held on July 4th and we enjoyed the usual fine weather, the day proving successful in providing funds for the further finishing of the new hall.

The new Church Rectory, occupied at present by Mrs. Wotherspoon and Jean, is slowly on the way to completion. A cement foundation and a small cellar has already been done, and it is expected that outside brick-boarding

and a new asbestos shingle roof will be completed by late fall. A porch has been added to the Rectory, also an outbuilding for storage, both these were drawn in one afternoon by truck from Mr. Ayres' home some eight miles east. Mr. Lonsdale is to be congratulated on the care and speed in accomplishing this job, also our thanks go to Mr. Louis Poirier for his help and the use of his tractor. It is expected that the Rectory will be fully completed inside by the use of finishing material from Mr. Ayres home. Some of this material will also be used for further completion of the inside of the Church Sanctuary. We acknowledge gratefully the kind gift of a Sanctuary lamp from Doctor David Phillips, of Calgary, also an anonymous gift of a green set of Holy Communion Vestments, and a white Cope and Mitre.

Baptised—Rachael Alma Miller, Gilbert Harney Carter, Patricia Gibbons, Lamona Viola Gibbons, William John Gibbons.

Confirmed—Rachel Alma Miller, Melvin Stanley Miller, Patricia Ann Miller, Margaret Rebecca Lenko, John Archie Anderson, Verna May Anderson.

Buried—June 20th, Eugene Desjailaise.

ST. JOHN'S, RIFE

The Bishop conducted the service on July 20th. We were glad to see so many present. The sermon and message it brought to us was very inspiring. A congregational meeting followed at which it was decided to put the five hundred dollars willed by the late Mrs. Destrube for the upkeep of the church and cemetery into a trust fund, namely, The Pam Destrube Memorial Fund.

We wish to thank Mr. Destrube for his generous contribution of five hundred dollars to this fund.

We are sorry to hear Mr. Destrube is leaving this district to make his home at the coast, but we wish him "God speed" in his new home.

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should be read by all our people. They contain a lot of valuable information about the church and its teaching and are really worthwhile having.

It was a great pleasure to have Mrs. G. McComas in town for a few days in the middle of July and to see her looking so well. Her old friends here were delighted to meet her again.

Sunday School will be starting again on September 7th at 10 a.m. in the Parish Hall. We expect to have our new work books on hand by this date, and we hope all the children will be there ready to start on a good year's work.

St. Mary's has lost some faithful workers during the last few months. Mrs. Bryant has gone to Waterton Lakes; Mrs. Hill to Edmonton, and, now our latest losses are Miss Irene Phay and Mr. Archie McComas. Miss Phay has accepted a teaching post at Wetaskiwin and Mr. McComas a position at Ocean Falls, B.C. We shall miss Miss Phay in the choir, Sunday School, E.B.W.A. and G.A., and Mr. McComas as our vestry clerk. They have both given true and laudable service to the church here and we wish them God-speed.

Baptisms: June 22nd, Linda Louise Popey, of Jasper; August 14th, Christine Edna June Rehill, of Entrance.

ST. MARY'S, BARRHEAD

The Rev. D. V. A. Browne

Following the service of evening prayer on June 22, members of the congregation gathered in the grounds of the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Hooper for the purpose of welcoming the vicar's wife, who recently joined her husband. The lovely garden of Mr. and Mrs. Hooper, with the equally lovely adjoining one of Mr. and Mrs. T. Weekes, made an ideal setting for the gathering, at which some sixty members of the congregation were present. The president of the W.A., Miss H. Whittaker, welcomed Mrs. Browne in the name of the congregation and presented her with a table lamp. Mrs. Browne, in replying, said she was very happy to be here and thanked the members of the church for their kindly welcome. Refreshments were then served, several members of the Junior W.A. assisting. Everyone present enjoyed the "get-together" and, as Mr. and Mrs. Hooper have most generously offered their grounds for similar occasions, it is hoped that this will not be the last of such "after service" gatherings.

The regular meeting of the W.A. was held at the home of Mrs. C. Brindley on July 9. Ten members were present. After a very successful meeting, tea was served by Mrs. Brindley and Mrs. B. Hanson.

A meeting of the vestry was held on Tuesday, July 15, in the Vicarage. Many matters were discussed including the interior redecorating of the Vicarage. Mr. N. Bennett was appointed the financial advisor.

On Sunday, July 13, the formation of an Altar Guild was announced. The nucleus of the Guild is Mrs. M. Bennett, Mrs. J. Bennion and Mrs. D. V. A. Browne.

The annual church service of the **Little Helpers** was held on Wednesday, June 25. Eight children and their parents attended. After the service there was a picnic in the grounds of the home of Mrs. E. G. Hooper.

Beautiful flowers on the altar, July 20, were a gift from Mrs. B. Swann in memory of her mother.

Baptism: Doreen Melba Shield.

A one-week mission will be conducted by the Rev. F. A. Peake, of Ponoka, beginning on Sunday, October 5, at 7:30 p.m. During the week of the mission there will be a celebration of Holy Communion each morning at 8 o'clock, a children's mission service after school at 4:00 p.m., and an adult mission service each evening at 8:00 o'clock.

St. Aidan's, Glenreagh

Following a meeting of the congregation on June 15, volunteers gathered on June 24 to reshingle the roof of the church. While the men worked on the roof, the ladies cleaned the church and tidied the church grounds, removing weeds from around the graves and planting flowers. A few weeks later volunteers again gathered to paint the roof.

On Friday, June 20, a successful whist drive was held in the Glenreagh school by the ladies of the church.

St. Philip's, Westlock

A meeting of the Vestry was held after service on July 27.

Holy Matrimony: Douglas Lionel Busby, Rossington, and Mary Mildred Tennant, Westlock, on August 6.

Baptisms: Lorna Ann Green, Richard James Terence Green, Leonard James Hofford.

Christ Church, Jarvis

Members of their family and friends offered congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. C. Abrams on the occasion of their golden wedding anniversary, Aug. 1.

Baptisms: Randolph Leo Whitford, James Luke Olson, Patricia Gale Mohn, Gerald Neil Newnham.

St. Stephen's, Sunnybank

The monthly services of evening prayer were held on July 13 and August 10. The weather was good so that a fair number were able to attend.

St. Luke's Sion

Burial: Maud Mary Redwood, Dunstable, on August 5, in St. Luke's cemetery, Sion.

DRAYTON VALLEY MISSION

Miss Barbara Onions

On July 27th we had a very welcome visit from the Bishop of the diocese. A large congregation attended the cele-

bation of Holy Communion at 11 a.m. After the service the W.A. provided a very enjoyable picnic lunch in the church grounds, and at 3 o'clock the Bishop administered the Sacrament of Confirmation to four young people. Those confirmed were: George Hines, Edward Hines, Gloria Forsyth and Lilian Forsyth.

In the evening the Bishop paid his first visit to Easyford for evensong and Holy Baptism. A good congregation was there to welcome him.

Camp: Twenty boys and girls from Drayton Valley and other points in the Mission, and seven boys from St. John's parish, Onoway, enjoyed happy days in camp at Wabamum from July 30th to August 8th. Each morning we had a service of worship in the church, followed by a period of instruction. We were fortunate in having three celebrations of Holy Communion while there. Miss Onions explained the meaning of the service to the children as it progressed.

There was plenty of swimming and softball as well as other games and activities. One day we hiked to Kapasiwin, and, after a swim and picnic lunch, returned to Wabamum by train, quite an event for boys and girls who live thirty miles or so from a railway!

The Junior Girls, aged eight and nine, won the prize for being the best all-round campers.

We enjoyed beautiful weather on the whole and the boys and girls returned home looking forward to "next year's camp."

We are very grateful to the kind people in the Wabamun Parish who helped towards making our camp such a happy one.

Holy Baptism: On July 27th, at **Easyford:** Bernice Lenora Lindscoog, Clifford Leo Allan Lindscoog and Carol Ernestine Lindscoog. On July 28, at **Pembina:** John Green Litke, Brian Albert Litke, Caroline Ann Litke, Clarence Allan Litke and Eileen Mae Litke.

SEBA BEACH

Services are being held each Sunday during July and August as follows:

Holy Communion: 10:15 a.m.

Morning Prayer: 11:00 a.m.

The Bishop of the diocese intends to visit All Saints', Seba Beach, on Sunday, September 21st. Archdeacon Tackaberry will conduct the service on September 14th.

Through the kindness of many friends among both the permanent and the summer residents of Seba Beach, All Saints' has received many beautiful and useful gifts of furnishings which add much to the beauty of the church and the comfort of those who worship there. The painting of the exterior is being completed and an excellent job was done in fencing the property.

Tangible reward in one phase of the work of All Saints' W.A. was received when the Summer Sale of work drew generous support and a good sum of money was realized.

Rural Deanery of Vermilion

WHITFORD

The Rev. H. G. Brant

We are happy to welcome as our vicar the Rev. H. G. Brant who comes down from Vegreville every other Sunday for the 11:00 a.m. service. Morning Prayer and Holy Communion are held alternatively.

Our most grateful thanks go to both the Rev. S. J. Bell, now of Wetaskiwin, and the Rev. V. P. Cole, of Mannville, for their untiring efforts in motoring down from Mannville to give us a service at least once a month. It was a pleasure having Mrs. V. P. Cole with us on such occasions.

Our thanks also go to Mr. and Mrs. H. Mennie and to Mr. and Mrs. R. Littlechilids who so kindly offered us the use of their homes wherein to hold our church services.

A meeting was held on June 15 and the following officers were elected for 1947: Vicar's warden, Mr. D. R. Stewart; vestry, D. R. Stewart, F. Menzie, Sr., Mrs. T. W. Albiston; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. D. R. Stewart.

Sunday School has been re-opened under the leadership of Mrs. T. W. Albiston. A wonderful attendance has been reported. We are grateful to Mrs. Yurichuk for the use of her home where we hold our classes.

Following the Holy Communion on July 27th luncheon was served in honor of Mr. F. Menzie on the occasion of his birthday. Congratulations, Mr. Menzie.

We are looking forward to having a little church of our own in not too distant future.

Holy Baptism: June 29, William John, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. George F. Cinnamon.

HOLY TRINITY, SODA LAKE

We are pleased to welcome the Rev. H. Brant as the minister in charge of this parish. Since arriving in June he has been able to hold four services, that of July 27 being a celebration of the Holy Communion.

Mr. and Mrs. Gibson and family have left Willingdon to take up residence in Claresholm, where Mr. Gibson will continue in the service of the Canadian Bank of Commerce. Mr. Gibson was a member of the local vestry. We wish them every success.

The congregation wishes to express their sincere thanks to the Rev. and Mrs. Cole for their many trips from Mannville to hold services here.

ST. MARY'S CLANDONALD

The Rev. W. J. Brant

Clandonald Vicarage is having much needed renovations done to it. Mr. Souder is in charge of the work. We

hope the Rev. and Mrs. Brant will be more comfortable than in the past. St. Mary's now has a surpliced choir consisting of ten girls, who sing very nicely together. Later we hope to have young boys in our choir.

August 3rd the Rt. Rev. W. F. Barfoot conducted the service which was much enjoyed, only we missed Mr. Brant's singing. The Bishop presented certificates to Wanda and Wilma Simpson for having the highest marks in the Sunday School.

We are sorry Mr. and Mrs. Stonehouse have moved away, and wish them every comfort in their new surroundings.

We are pleased to welcome Mr. and Mrs. Collicut and family, also Mr. and Mrs. Langridge and daughter. The W.A. met at the home of Mrs. Cliff Stockwell on August 7th with nine members present. The W.A. voted \$230.00 towards the work done on the vicarage. Miss Lang, from Vermilion School of Agriculture, gave an interesting talk on textiles and how to make shag-rugs. After the meeting tea was served by W.A. Members which was appreciated very much.

We are looking forward to having a larger Sunday School when we start again in September.

The Junior W.A. will meet again on September 6th when we hope to have more girls join. We are all looking forward to our bazaar in the fall.

Holy Baptism: On August 1st, Fay Arlene Trach, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Trach.

CHRIST CHURCH, MANNVILLE

The Rev. V. P. Cole

The July meeting of Christ Church W.A. was held at the home of Mrs. E. Mercer.

The Rt. Rev. W. F. Barfoot administered the Sacrament of Confirmation in Christ Church on Sunday, July 6th. Candidates were Mrs. Dell Johnston, Mrs. Ethel Slee, Miss Elsie Milburn, Mr. J. J. Goshko, Mr. G. R. Matters, Mr. R. A. Lugg, Mr. J. Johnstone.

The Girls' Auxiliary enjoyed a picnic which was held on July 7th at Innisfree Lake.

The Sunday School Picnic was held on July 16th. Owing to rain the original plans had to be cancelled and the picnic held in the Parish Hall. The children all seemed to enjoy themselves.

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Holy Matrimony: July 2nd, Ernestine Elizabeth Wallis, of Edgerton, Alberta, to Stuart Alexander Montjoy, of Chauvin, Alberta.

ST. ALBAN'S CHALEY

Only one service has been held in July and one in August because of Mr. Cole taking holidays in July and his appointment as chaplain to the boys at Kapasiwin in August.

A number of the district men volunteered their labor to prepare the churchyard for the planting of trees next spring. The graves were freed of weeds and put in order. Mrs. W. Y. Coulter, who lives by the church, served the men with a very substantial lunch which was much appreciated. The Rev. V. Cole was present, laboring with his parishioners.

A W.A. meeting was held in both July and August. St. Andrew's Day is being observed by a short service in the church.

A few chapters of the story of Our W.A. have been read. An invitation to Mannville W.A. was extended to be present at our October meeting as guests. Mr. and Mrs. H. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Rostron and Kathleen Sutton attended the Confirmation service in Mannville July 6th.

WILBERFORCE

We are glad to report our church attendance has greatly improved.

Holy Baptism: Sunday July 13, Joan Darlene, infant daughter of Mr. and

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Mrs. Wilfred Davies; Clarke Edwin, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Davies. Sunday, August 10: Carol Elizabeth, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Mapstone. (Mrs. Mapstone is one of our English war brides). Douglas Dwayne, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Elliott.

Holy Communion was administered to seventeen communicants.

Rural Deanery of Wainwright

WAINWRIGHT DEANERY W.A.

The 7th Annual meeting of the Wainwright Deanery was held at Wainwright, Tuesday, 24th June.

The Rev. F. E. Smith, Rector of Wainwright, conducted the Corporate Communion, assisted by the Rural Dean, the Rev. E. N. P. Orme. Some 42 ladies communicated.

After dinner at the hotel, the afternoon session opened in the Parish Hall. All seven branches of the Deanery were well represented and we were happy to welcome a new branch of 13 members from Heath.

The meeting voted \$14.00 to the Kapasiwin Camp fund.

The Edmonton officers attending were: the Diocesan President, Mrs. S. F. Tackaberry and Mesdames Wolff, Craigie and de Laroque. Their brief talks were very interesting and helpful.

Each branch responded to the Deanery appeal for knitted goods, and a nice parcel was sent to Edmonton.

The U.T.O. placed on the Offertory plate showed a good increase over last year.

The Rural Dean took the Chair for the election of officers, with a full slate being returned to office. Pres., Mrs. H. Barden, Tofield. 1st Vice, Mrs. J. Kington, Edgerton; 2nd Vice, Mrs. C. R. Smith, Viking; Sec. Treas., Miss Leda Baptist, Tofield. The 1948 Conference will be held at Tofield.

The Conference closed with Choral Evensong in St. Thomas' Church, conducted by the Incumbent of Edgerton, the Rev. W. D. Ellway.

HOLY TRINITY, TOFIELD

The Rev. E. N. P. Orme

Six ladies attended the Wainwright W.A. Deanery meeting on June 24th.

The Annual Little Helpers' Rally was held on Saturday afternoon, June 28th. The most noticeable fact was the diversity of ages ranging from one-year-olds to old scholars and mothers and interested W.A. members. There were thirty in attendance. The usual form of service, including the singing of bright hymns, the presentation of mite boxes (contents of which amounted to \$13.39) a short talk by the Little Helpers' secretary as well as by the

W.A. News: The annual picnic and bazaar was held July 15th. The weather wasn't as pleasant as hoped for, nevertheless everyone seemed to have a good time, and we wish to take this opportunity of thanking all those who did attend for their generous support.

Our next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. F. Davies, commencing at 2 o'clock sharp, Thursday, September 4th.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Eaglesham; Aug. 3rd, Harold John Eaglesham, son of Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Eaglesham.

RODINO

Since the last notes it has been possible to hold all services as scheduled with varying degrees of attendance. A large turnout attended the Baptism service at Vandervacte's when the infant daughter of the Becketts was welcomed into the church.

A splendid number of W.A. members attended the conference at Wainwright. Owing to a mishap to one of the cars at the last moment, it meant very crowded ride for those attending, but a happy time and safe journey was reported.

The W.A. also sponsored a successful picnic on Sunday, August 3rd, and everyone reports a good time with consequent additions to W.A. funds.

So far, the district has been spared the disastrous effects of hail storms which have swept other parts of this Mission, but the dry weather will only give a light crop.

WAINWRIGHT

The Rev. F. E. Smith

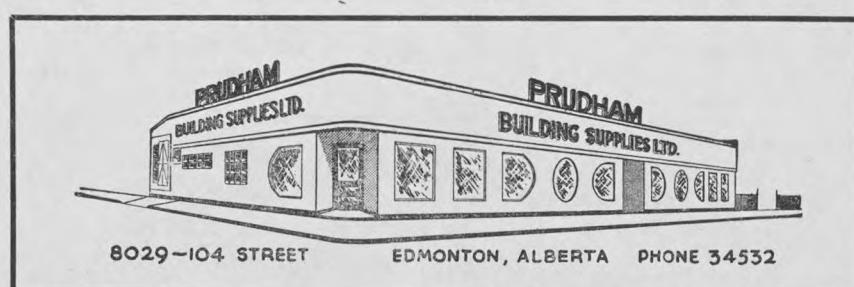
July 1st was a busy day for the members of the St. Thomas W.A.; they had a refreshment booth at the local sports and as several thousand people attended the sports, it was a busy time.

During July several parties were given in honor of Miss Elsie Horne, who has been a prominent member of the A.Y.P.A. and choir. Miss Horne was married to Mr. Richard Roberts, of Irma, on July 12th.

On July 13th, the members of the local Orange Lodge attended St. Thomas church for evensong. It was good to see such a splendid congregation in spite of a counter attraction in the form of a free barbecue at the lake. Following the service a reception was held in the hall, at which the rector was once more invited to address the members.

A children's service was held on July 20th. During the service the rector presented a prayer and hymn book to Mrs. Rosa Hardy on behalf of the members of the Sunday school. Mrs. Hardy has been in Sunday school work for almost a quarter of a century.

July 20th Bishop Barfoot rededicated the War Memorial. The P.P.C.L.I. pro-



vided the guard of honor and General Worthington took the salute.

Weddings: Elsie Horne to Dick Roberts. Joyce Renville to James Knudsen, M.Sc. Bernice Hopdalu to Philias Lapierre, Jenny Hissett to Fred Fidler, Alice Tyndale to William Daniels.

ST. MARY'S, IRMA

Services have been held regularly at St. Mary's, Irma, with our rector, the Rev. F. E. Smith officiating. Attendances have been good.

Following the decision to hold joint vestry meetings at least four times a year, the second such meeting was held at the home of Mr. Pryce Jones, Irma, on June 25th. Twenty-four members were present including those from Wainwright, Battle Heights and Irma. The meeting appointed Mr. Tom Lissimore, of Wainwright, to act as secretary to these meetings while Mr. E. H. Targett was appointed Irma correspondent of the **Edmonton Churchman**. Matters discussed included travelling expenses of the rector, the B.R.F. notes, and the July Children's Camp at Wabamum. A letter was read from the Lutheran Church requesting the use of our churches for sunday services. This request was unanimously granted, suitable times to be arranged. The meeting decided to hold a joint open air service on Sunday, July 20th, to be followed by a picnic. A committee was duly formed to locate a suitable site on the Battle river. The Rector expressed a wish to holiday on Sunday, August 17th, and it was arranged that Mr. E. H. Targett, Layreader, take services at Wainwright on that day. Following the meeting lunch was served by the ladies of Irma. The meeting was voted a complete success by those present and should assist the work of the rector and stimulate the work of the parish. The next meeting is scheduled to be held at Wainwright on Tuesday, September 23rd.

A good representation of St. Mary's W.A. attended the Deanery meeting at Wainwright on Tuesday, June 24th.

ST. MARGARET'S, BATTLE HEIGHTS

The open air service held at King's Park, Fabian, July 27th, and conducted by the Rev. F. E. Smith was well attended by the congregations and visitors from Wainwright, Irma and Battle Heights. The remainder of afternoon was spent visiting, whilst many enjoyed a swim. Our thanks to the kind donor of the ice cream! A picnic supper brought the afternoon to a close.

The July meeting of the W.A. was held at the home of Mrs. Laycock. The August meeting to be held at the home of Mrs. Tindall, Sr.

We welcome home Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Bacon and son George after a six weeks' vacation spent in Ontario.

ST. MARY'S EDGERTON

The Rev. W. D. Ellway

A bell is a most desirable, and indeed, a most necessary part of the furniture of a church for reasons that are obvious. It is, we might say, one of the forms of the voice of God calling us into His presence in the company of our friends and neighbors for a definite purpose at a definite time. What is perhaps more important is that those who do not come to God are forcibly reminded that they are failing in their duty not only to God but also to their fellow man. St. Mary's now has a bell. At the time of writing it is not as yet hung in position, for that is a task that will require some knowledgeable handling. In the past our bell served a very Godly purpose at Rosemoyn school; now it will serve a purpose even more divine. Our hope and prayer is that its voice will be heeded. It was obtained from the Rosemoyn Orange Lodge, who generously let St. Mary's have it at very nominal cost indeed, a gesture typical of the practical Christianity of the majority of the Rosemoyn district.

We are delighted at the honor brought to Edgerton by the re-election of Mrs. Kington to the vice-presidency of the Deanery W.A. Three members only were able to attend the deanery meeting at Wainwright, and they thoroughly enjoyed the well planned informative programme of worship and business. The W.A. held the concessions at the Edgerton Sport Day and at the School Track Meet in both cases in conjunction with the ladies of the United Church. They certainly deserved the profits that they made.

The thanks of the parish must go to Mrs. Dud Sawyer for her leadership of the young people in such a fruitful manner. The Junior W.A. did very well in the competitions at the Diocesan Festival, and the Sunday School scholars who wrote the G.B.R.E. examination obtained very high marks indeed. Two girls went to the Senior Girls' camp at Kapasiwin and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. While thinking of the young people of our church it is a matter of regret that this summer has seen three of our older girls take up posts in the city, at least regret from our point of view, for their steps was a most necessary one. It is feared that even more will be leaving Edgerton in the near future, and we hope that their places, particularly in the choir, will be speedily filled by some of the younger ones.

Rosemoyn

The spiritual life of Rosemoyn must be as great a delight to God as it is to man. At every service there is an increase numerically, and the pleasing feature is the way in which whole families, young and old, play their part in the worship of God. We pray that those who do not as yet join in with any regularity at the services will do so and so assist in strengthening

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the already remarkable community spirit that prevails in the district in matters divine and not so divine. The Orange Lodge held their parade service on Sunday, July 13th, and a beautiful and inspiring service it was.

Baptism: June 29th, Sharon Lee Ough (at St. Patrick's, Heath).

Holy Matrimony: June 28th, Robert Kevin Wolfe and Joan Doreen Woodbridge. (Conducted by the Rev. V. P. Cole, of Mannville.)

Burials: June 22nd, Calvin Fayette Taylor. (Service at St. Mary's, burial at Wainwright.) August 8th, Anne Abbott. (At Edgerton.)

ST. PATRICK'S, HEATH

Since the arrival of a resident priest we are enjoying the priviledges of services every Sunday at 11:00 a.m.,

the first Sunday of the month being set aside for Holy Communion.

The W.A., which was re-organized in May, has been able to meet for all the regular meetings. After the last meeting held on July 31 at the home of Mrs. J. Bartlett, Jr., at Clear Lake the ladies had an apron and ice cream sale which was very successful.

On June 24 seven of the W.A. members were able to attend the Deanery meeting in Wainwright. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed this meeting and found it most helpful.

Baptism: June 29, Sharon Lee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. (nee Alice Smith) Ough, of Edgerton. Mrs. Ough, whose parents still reside here, attended our church in her girlhood days. Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Ford, a little daughter, Bella Jeanette.

Rural Deanery of Wetaskiwin

PONOKA

The Rev. F. A. Peake

Teacher Training Course, Ponoka, Parish Church, the Church Catechism. Examination results: Mrs. D. Campbell, Mrs. D. B. Howell, Mrs. E. McMahon, Mrs. A. I. Stretch.

CAMROSE

Canon A. Wallis

First of all, we welcome back our Rector and Mrs. Wallis, and hope they feel refreshed after their vacation.

Then we go back quite a way. During July we had two farewell parties. Mr. and Mrs. Len Murrant, Bob, Eugene and Mamie-Ann, and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Smith, Walter, Jr., and Sharon have gone to B.C. to live. No words can adequately express our sense of loss at their going. Mrs. Murrant, as our W.A. President, was a combination of determination, ability and graciousness. We enjoyed working with her. Mr. Murrant was a member of the vestry and will long be remembered for his work on the building of our new church. Bob was a sidesman and a member of the A.Y.P. Eugene practically "grew up" in the choir, and Mamie-Ann was a loyal and interested little Sunday school scholar as well as a pre-junior.

Mr. Walter Smith was our People's Warden and Treasurer, also a member of the choir, and Mrs. Smith belonged to the Altar Guild and W.A., and helped in all church activities. Walter, Jr., and Sharon came to Sunday school.

Gifts from the Altar Guild and from the congregation were presented to these families, with our best wishes, but our feelings went deeper than that, and we pray that "the Lord bless you and keep you."

Picnics: Our G.A. had a lovely picnic, it included a wealth of friendship and an impromptu ball game with an old

broom for a bat and spectacular efforts to hit the ball. "Thank you" Mr. Lomas for taking your truck.

The Sunday school picnic was held at Red Deer Lake. Imagine a truck load of wildly enthusiastic young people singing at the top of their voices, gaining in volume as the lake hove in sight, and later, revelling in the water, and you have summed up the height of their enjoyment. There were races, and the refreshments included ice cream. Many thanks to those who made it possible.

On Sunday, June 29th, we had a Children's Service in church when the prizes were presented. Congratulations, young people.

The "Little Helpers' rally was held on June 25th. There was a short service in church when the Rector gave a brief talk, and the Mite Boxes were received and dedicated to the service of God. Then the mothers and their small people spent a happy, social time in the Guild room. Refreshments were served and enjoyed.

Baptisms: Frederick Earl Chambers. (Bittern Lake). Dale Alice Letourneau (of Edmonton).

Holy Matrimony: Raymond Gordon Foss, Isabell Joyce Barrett.

Burial: "Until the day breaks and the shadows flee away." Martin Elias Nielsen. Our affectionate sympathy goes to Mrs. Nielsen.

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ST. DUNSTAN'S, BITTERN LAKE

Canon and Mrs. Wallis returned early in August from a holiday at the Coast. During their absence Mr. J. G. Baker took the services both here and in Camrose.

W.A. meetings have not been held quite so regularly during the summer months. At a recent meeting at Mrs. Butcher's members spent a busy afternoon working on a quilt which will be included in the outfit for an Indian girl.

Holy Baptism: June 22, Frederick Earl Chambers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Chambers.

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WINFIELD

Mr. A. E. Bowker

It was with deep regret that the congregation at Winfield said farewell to the Rev. Canon W. H. Hatfield, at a gathering in the Mission House on July 23rd. After the Rev. George Mackey left the Mission in 1943, Canon Hatfield began coming here, as often as possible, bringing the Sacraments of the church to the district. His visits have always brought great joy and fellowship, establishing many deep friendships. As a small token of our esteem, the presentation of a leather manuscript case was made. The following morning we met together to celebrate the Holy Communion. Our best wishes and prayers go with Canon and Mrs. Hatfield and their family to their new home.

It is a pleasure to report that the roads have been very good this summer, making travelling much more convenient than last year.

Five of our young ladies enjoyed the beneficial programme and lovely surroundings of the second Junior Camp at Kapasiwin. Some of the boys are expecting to have an equally fine time at the Senior Boys' Camp.

On Sunday, August 24th, the Bishop is to celebrate Holy Communion at Breton, Hoadley and Winfield, and to hold a service of Confirmation at Winfield.

The W.A. will resume meetings for the season on Wednesday, September 3rd. A Sunday school picnic will be held during the first week in September and the school will open for the new term on Sunday, September 7th.

Baptisms: Peggy Louise Inglis, Melvin Gregory Jones, Sharon Irene Skogman.

**SEGEWICK, KILLAM, LOUGHEED,
HUGHENDEN**

The Rev. W. Brooks

KILLAM: We were glad to have news from Mrs. Hemphill, nee Large, now resident in Oregon, U.S.A. She sends her regards to her former friends, and the fact that the family are still interested in St. Georges will be soon evidenced in a tangible manner.

The rector has been greatly assisted by Mr. Halsall in finding his way to country residents, there are a few who have not yet been visited but they have not been forgotten as Miss Camp, who recently toured the area, reminded them.

It is with pleasure that we report Killam to be the first district in the area to distribute the A.A.A. booklets, this is entirely due to the energy with which the secretary-treasurer and others have tackled the job, and the co-operation of church members who purchased them. It is hoped they will be read and studied for they will provide a valuable background to the series of sermons that are planned for the coming months.

Baptism: Ernest Robert Smith, July 13, 1947.

SEGEWICK: In July the annual Sunday School and church picnic took place at Brown's Lake. There was a very good attendance and we thank the W.A. who so generously provided ice cream, and Bert Blackman, who added extras that were appreciated by the youngsters. Races and games, a basket picnic, a sing-song and camp fire helped round out a most enjoyable time. We are looking forward to an increased number in Sunday School this year under the capable superintendency of Mr. C. Beairsto and his loyal group of teachers.

Baptisms: Shirley Margaret Culbert, June 21, 1947. George Edward Shaw, July 21, 1947. Kenneth James Clarke, July 27, 1947.

LOUGHEED: Services are fairly well attended at this point and this summer we have welcomed many visitors during the holidays. Repairs to the roof are under way and are being attended to by Ned Butcher and our capable secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Kirkman. The next item proposed is the interior decoration of the church for which we have to thank the ladies who are keenly interested in having this done at an early date.

At a garden party in July at the home of Mr. Routledge the ladies of All Saints' met to say goodbye to our organist, Mrs. Scott, who has gone to England for a visit. In the midst of these very pleasant surroundings of planted trees, a beautiful garden and orchard, and a wonderful lawn the W.A. held their summer meeting with Mrs. Routledge serving a delightful tea.

Baptism: Allan Wayne Gwinn, Aug. 17, 1947.

Marriage: On July 25, Rose Yvonne was the bride of Morrison Redpath, the bride presented a charming appearance in a tailored white suit with accessories to match. The young couple have made their home in Trail, B.C., and they should soon have a visit from the rector at that point who is an old acquaintance of ours whom we have written of their arrival.

HARDISTY: Improvements are in process here and as they are completed we will report details, it is, however, due to the keenly interested W.A. that these are taking place and we are indeed grateful. We are very glad to see Mrs.

Mets again at home following a serious operation and a relapse, and it is our hope that she will soon be fully recovered. The departure of Mrs. Young from our congregation is a gain to the city of Edmonton, her keen and active interest in church work will be as greatly missed here as it was appreciated, and we sincerely hope that in her new home there will be comfort to replace the sad loss she recently sustained.

HUGHENDEN: We are sorry to report that Mr. Stubbs has recently undergone two major operations in an Edmonton hospital and our reports from Canon Clough, who has visited him have been encouraging. We wish our warden a speedy and successful recovery. Accompanied by his sister, Mr. Betts returned from England. We are glad to welcome Mr. Betts again.

We regret to report the death of Frederick Hedley Sansom, aged 67. An old resident of Amisk who when in good health often walked ten and more miles to church in all weathers, is survived by two sons, one in Edmonton, the other in Toronto. May his soul rest in peace.

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